The Story of Hama: The Great-Grandson of Iblis

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Chapter 1: The Appearance of the Elderly Jinn

A Mysterious Encounter in the Forest:

According to the narration of Hazrat Anas ibn Malik (may Allah be pleased with him), while accompanying Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) in the forests of Makkah, an elderly figure suddenly appeared.

This individual walked with the support of a staff. Upon observing him, the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) remarked that the figure appeared to be a jinn, discernible by his gait and voice.

Identification of the Jinn:

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him):

"These seem to be jinn by their gait and voice."

The figure promptly confirmed this observation.

The Elderly Jinn:

"Yes, indeed!"

The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) then inquired about his identity.

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him):

"Which jinn are you?"

The Elderly Jinn:

"My name is Hama ibn Haim ibn Qais ibn Iblis."

Upon hearing this, the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) commented on the proximity of his lineage to Iblis.

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him):

"There are only two generations between you and Iblis."

The jinn affirmed this statement.

Discussion of Age and Ancient Times:

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) then inquired about the jinn’s age.

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him):

"How old are you?"

The Elderly Jinn:

**"I have witnessed most of the world’s span.
The night when Qabil killed Habil, I was but a few years old, leaping from a mound, rejoicing, and inciting people."**

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) condemned the jinn’s celebration of that tragic event.

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him):

"That was a very evil deed."

The jinn responded with humility and repentance.

The Elderly Jinn:

"O beloved Prophet of Allah, peace and blessings be upon you.

Do not be angry, for I am among those who believed in Prophet Nuh (AS).

I repented before Allah at his blessed hands and assisted him in his mission.

He wept so much that we also wept."

Confession and Belief in the Prophets:

The jinn continued to recount his spiritual journey through the ages.

The Elderly Jinn:

"By Allah, I am deeply ashamed of my former disbelief, and I seek refuge in Allah.

I met Prophet Hud (AS) and believed through his hand.

I also met Prophet Ibrahim (AS). When you were cast into the fire, I was with you.

When Prophet Yusuf (AS) was cast into the well, I was with you and arrived there before you.

I have met Prophet Shuʿayb (AS) and Prophet Musa (AS), as well as Isa, son of Maryam (AS).

Isa instructed me that when I meet Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him), I should convey his greetings and bring Allah’s message upon your blessed hands."

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) responded graciously.

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him):

"May Allah’s peace be upon you and upon Isa (AS). What do you desire?"

The jinn made a humble request.

The Elderly Jinn:

"Prophet Musa taught me the Tawrah at night, and Isa taught me the Injil.

Please teach me the Qur’an."

Learning the Qur’an:

Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) fulfilled the jinn’s request by teaching him the Qur’an.

According to one narration, the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) taught him only ten Surahs.

After this encounter, the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) never disclosed any information about the death of this jinn until his own passing, and the jinn was never seen again.

Only Allah knows whether he remains alive or has passed away.